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SUBJECT: STATEMENT ISSUED BY PRESIDENT TITO AND  
SECRETARY KISSINGER AT CONCLUSION OF THEIR MEETING,  
BELGRADE, NOVEMBER 4, 1974

REF: STATE 230784, OCT 21

### 1. TRANSLATION TITO REMARKS FOLLOW:

"WE HAD TODAY VERY GOOD TALKS WITH THE  
SECRETARY OF STATE MR. KISSINGER. THE SECRETARY OF  
STATE HAD TALKS BEFORE THAT WITH OUR PRIME  
MINISTER AND FOREIGN MINISTER. THE TALKS WERE  
CONCERNED WITH BILATERAL RELATIONS AND ALSO  
INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS, MOSTLY THE MIDDLE EAST.  
AS REGARDS BILATERAL RELATIONS WE OF COURSE AGREED  
TO CONTINUE TO DEVELOP AND EXPAND THEM. CURRENT  
RELATIONS SO FAR ALSO ARE NOT BAD. AS REGARDS  
INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS ESPECIALLY THE MIDDLE EAST  
CONCERN WAS EXPRESSED ON BOTH SIDES BECAUSE OF THE  
STAGNATION THAT IS THERE. MUCH DEPENDS ON THE  
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GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES WHICH SO FAR WAS

THE MAIN INFLUENCE IN THE CARRYING OUT OF THE  
DISENGAGEMENT AND FOR A PEACEFUL SOLUTION OF THE  
CONFLICT BETWEEN THE ARAB STATES AND ISRAEL. THE  
SECRETARY OF STATE WILL SOON VISIT AGAIN THIS REGION  
AND HE WILL KNOW BEST WHAT THIS SITUATION IS AND WHAT  
THERE IS TO DO. THE DISCUSSIONS WE HAD WERE VERY  
USEFUL AND I AM VERY GLAD SECRETARY KISSINGER  
VISITED YUGOSLAVIA AND ON MANY THINGS WE DISCUSSED  
OUR POSITIONS WERE SIMILAR."

2. SECRETARY KISSINGER REMARKS FOLLOW:

"I WANTED TO THANK THE PRESIDENT FOR THE VERY  
CORDIAL RECEPTION HE HAS HAD FOR ME AND THE VERY  
FRANK AND FRIENDLY TALKS THAT WE HAD. THE  
PRESIDENT AND I AS WELL AS HIS ASSOCIATES  
REVIEWED THE BILATERAL RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR TWO  
COUNTRIES. I AGREED COMPLETELY WITH WHAT THE  
PRESIDENT SAID. THOSE RELATIONS WERE GOOD TO BEGIN  
WITH AND WE DECIDED TO STRENGTHEN THEM THROUGH  
CONSULTATIONS AND OTHER MEANS. WITH RESPECT TO  
INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS WE REVIEWED SEVERAL OF THEM  
AND SPECIAL EMPHASIS WAS PAID TO THE MIDDLE EAST.  
WE, THE UNITED STATES, WOULD LIKE TO DO OUR BEST  
TO PREVENT ANY STALEMATE FROM DEVELOPING. THIS  
REQUIRES THAT ALL OF THE PARTIES ON BOTH SIDES  
UNDERSTAND THE SPECIAL NECESSITIES OF THE OTHER AND  
MAKE AN EFFORT TO BRING THEIR POSITIONS CLOSER TO  
EACH OTHER. IT IS FOR THIS PURPOSE THAT I AM GOING  
TO THE MIDDLE EAST TO SEE WHETHER USEFUL NEGOTIATIONS  
CAN BE CONDUCTED AND IN WHAT MANNER AND I PLEDGE  
THAT THE UNITED STATES WILL DO ITS UTMOST TO IMPROVE  
MATTERS IN THE MIDDLE EAST TO A JUST AND LASTING  
PEACE. ALTOGETHER I WOULD EVALUATE MY VISIT HERE  
VERY USEFUL, CONTRIBUTING TO MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING  
AND TO THE STRENGTHENING OF OUR RELATIONSHIP.

3. DEPARTMENT REPEAT AS DESIRED.

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